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PLACEMENT MACHINE AS WELL AS SUCH PLACEMENT MACHINE

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RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

The documents listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 were cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding Japanese Patent, JP4326474. We have attached a copy of translation of the Abstract of the documents; however, a complete translation of the foreign-language documents is not readily available. The absence of such translation does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider the submitted foreign language documents (37 C.F.R. §1.98 and M.P.E.P. §609).

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